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Reference: DEPTEL 811 sent London 7318.

Libyan Ambassador London Ali Sahli now in Benghazi states Prime Minister and he depart for London April 27. Ambassador Jones returning Tripoli from Sebha 17th; first opportunity for appointment with Prime Minister after three-day end-of-ramadan holiday appears to be Wednesday 23rd. If Department contemplates review US assistance availabilities with Prime Minister prior London talks, instructions requested prior 23rd. Questions on which definite instructions needed are (1) revelation availability additional $2½ million from $5 million (ICATO 421) and (2) disclosure US willingness permit use LARC special funds for budgetary support. Embassy/USOM believe latter should be proposed only as last resort, not (repeat not) in initial presentation. Also suggest additional $2½ million be presented (if at all) as available on same basis as $3 million commodity import proceeds; i.e., for either budgetary support or economic development as desired by GOL.

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